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**Statement to the Human Services Committee**

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**Supporting**

**HB 5500, An Act Concerning Provider Audits Under The Medicaid Program**

As statewide associations representing providers of Medicaid services throughout the continuum, we join together in support of HB 5500, An Act Concerning Provider Audits Under The Medicaid Program.

Fraud and abuse have no place within the healthcare system and should never be tolerated within the Medicaid program. As Medicaid providers, the members of our respective associations understand, accept, and support the need to protect the integrity of the program through state oversight and audits, but we encourage efforts to ensure that the oversight and audit processes used by state government are fair and balanced, and are designed so as not to add unnecessary expense to the healthcare field.

We have all previously called for audit practices that are fair, balanced, efficient, and cost effective, and that do not place unnecessary burdens on law-abiding providers. We therefore have all provided testimony today in support of HB 5500, An Act Concerning Provider Audits Under The Medicaid Program, which would bring a level of fairness into the audit and oversight process.

Thank you for your consideration of our joint statement of support.

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